

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

IN THE MATTER OF THE)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
EXTENSION OF THE INTEGRATED)	NO. 2002-019
FAMILY COURT PILOT AND)	
PROGRAM EVALUATION)	
_____)	

Administrative Order 2001-020 established a pilot to consider the benefits of an Integrated Family Court in Maricopa County. That Order identified outcome measures that were to be monitored during the one-year pilot. A final report is to be issued which will address those outcomes and the benefits and challenges that were experienced during the pilot period.

The measures include: (1) Reduction of time to disposition, defined as follows by case type: Dissolution – Decree of Dissolution; Paternity – Judgment of Paternity; Delinquency – Disposition; Dependency – Finding of dependency as to both parents; Termination of Parental Rights – Final Judgment; (2) Reduction in subsequent contested filings or proceedings; (3) Reduction in the number of judicial officers involved with the “family;” (4) Increase in implementation of ADR components in cases; and (5) Overall litigant and staff satisfaction with the new process.

The original date for the conclusion of the Pilot is scheduled for March 19, 2002. Due to the timing of judicial rotation, the Family Court Department has an opportunity to continue tracking data with the pilot divisions. The additional data will prove significant to program evaluation. It has been determined that an outside evaluator will review the data and outcome measures and submit a final report to the presiding judge.

IT IS ORDERED that the Integrated Family Court Pilot shall continue beyond the original end-date of March 19, 2002.

IT IS ORDERED that the Integrated Family Court Pilot at the Southeast Court Facility shall continue to review and assign cases into the pilot through Friday, June 28, 2002.

IT IS ORDERED that Court Administration will secure a private, unbiased evaluator for the purpose of evaluating the work performed during the pilot at the Southeast Facility. The evaluation shall include any and all identified benefits and challenges and will not be limited to a review of the above referenced performance measures.

IT IS ORDERED that the final evaluation shall be submitted to Presiding Judge Colin F. Campbell on or before Friday, November 1, 2002.

Dated this ____ day of March , 2002.

Honorable Colin F. Campbell
Presiding Judge

Attachment: Copy of Administrative Order 2001-020 (unsigned)

Original : Filed with the Clerk of the Court

Copies: Hon. Mark W. Armstrong, Associate Presiding Judge
Hon. Bethany G. Hicks, Family Court Presiding Judge
Hon. Linda K. Scott , Juvenile Court Department Presiding Judge
Hon. Kenneth L. Fields, Co-Chair, Integrated Family Court Task

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